

HOUSE BILL NO. 503

INTRODUCED BY D. WANZENRIED

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ORGANIZING A MUNICIPALITY; DECREASING THE DISTANCE REQUIRED BETWEEN AN EXISTING MUNICIPALITY AND A PROPOSED MUNICIPALITY; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-2-4103, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 7-2-4103, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-2-4103. Prerequisites to organization of municipality. ~~No~~ A municipal corporation may not be formed unless:

- (1) (a) the number of inhabitants is 300 or ~~upwards~~ more; or
- (b) the community was a townsite owned and built by the U.S. government prior to April 3, 1981; and
- (2) the boundary of the proposed territory to be incorporated is more than ~~3 miles~~ 1 mile from the boundary, measured from the nearest point between the two, of any presently incorporated city or town or there is presented to the board appropriate evidence that any presently incorporated city or town within ~~3 miles~~ 1 mile which legally could annex has refused to annex the proposed territory."

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